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Applicants: Xiaochun Nie, et al.

Application No.: 10/716,316

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Title: **METHOD OF IMPLEMENTING
IMPROVED RATE CONTROL FOR
A MULTIMEDIA COMPRESSION
AND ENCODING SYSTEM**

Art Unit: 2483

Examiner: David N Werner

Confirmation No.: 5248

APPLICANTS' STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

Examiner David Werner and Applicants' representative Ali Makoui had a telephonic interview on 11/30/2010. During the interview, the Examiner and the Applicants' representatives agreed on cancelling claims 28-34 which require additional search by the Examiner. Applicants' representative and Examiner Werner also agreed on amending claims 1, 15, 35, and 37.

Applicants' representative also discussed the patentability of the pending claims over the cited reference (U.S. Patent 5,801,779 to Uz) and a Non-Patent Literature reference identified by the Examiner (P.H. Westerink, et al., "Two-pass MPEG-2 variable-bit-rate encoding", 43 IBM J. of Res. & Dev. 471 (July 1999)). Applicants thank Examiner Werner for the courtesy extended by holding the telephonic interview.

Respectfully Submitted,

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